

Oswald-Mexico; Gilberto ALVARADO Ugarte; CIA investigation IW 12/31/73

Reading of CD 1000, Helms' 6/1/64 to Rankin w. attach., makes me wonder because it is inherently incredible yet CIA spends all this time and space on it; because with the nature of the alleged material there is no early effort to check it (as by phone with Washington or Dallas on LHO description), and because the CIA knows its business so much better than this reflects. Seven attachments none better than this.

Masking on p. 2 would seem to be of not-unknown station chief, Mex. Cy. It also discloses that WC sent "representatives" to Mexico City.

One of the possibly provocative allegations deals with a man given as GAVALLON. Perhaps there is a person of this name. However, it is strongly suggestive of Gabaldon. There is the single initial difference in the names.

Same attachment refers to these two going to "an apartment in a building located on the corner of Oxford and Reforma." There they were questioned and went over an "album" of photos. Secret CIA office location or cover office?

If this awful nonsense was credited in the early days, as there is every reason to believe it should not have been, can it be that Helms placed any credence in it as late as 6/1 or that the Commission staff still did? No possibility! Then why all this time and space?

It would seem that at an early date some kind of obfuscation was afoot in Mexico City. It would also seem that any political people or any real spook would have spotted this. The docs bear no such indication.